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Applicant

: Institute of Materials Research and Engineering

Title

: METHOD OF SELECTIVE POST-GROWTH TUNING OF AN OPTICAL .

BANDGAP OF A SEMI-CONDUCTOR HETEROSTRUCTURE AND

PRODUCTS PRODUCED THEREOF

Docket No.

36368/DRK/L359

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.182 TO CONVERT TO AN APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 111(a)

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This paper is filed in response to a Communication dated 31 July 2000 form the PCT Legal Office, copy enclosed, which indicated that the applicants have not provided the international application number (PCT number), or the international filing date with the transmittal letter and other documents.

Applicant respectfully petitions that this application be converted to an application under 35 U.S.C. 111(a). When this application was filed, this application was inadvertently filed along with a PCT transmittal letter, rather than with a direct national stage transmittal letter. However, the unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney accompanying the application correctly indicated that this application was based not upon a PCT application, but rather upon Singapore patent application No. 9804027-2, with a filing date of 6 November 1998. Accordingly, there is no PCT number or

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In order that this application can be permitted to proceed, Applicant respectfully requests that this application be converted to an application under 35 U.S.C. 111(a). A check for the petition fee of \$130.00 is enclosed herewith.

Also enclosed herewith are an executed declaration and power of attorney and an executed small entity declaration.

If there are any additional questions or issues, a telephone to the undersigned would be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

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Communication dated 31 July 2000

Executed declaration and power of attorney.

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A review of for the above-captioned application reveals that applicants have not provided the international application number (PCT number), or the international filing date with the transmittal letter and other documents submitted 05 November 1999.

Applicants must provide this information within ONE (1) MONTH from the mail date of this notification. Failure to respond will result in the abandonment of this application.

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